

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln. No.:	10/525,299	)	<b>Confirmation No. 5994</b>
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Applicant(s):	KRAUS et al.	)	
Title:	Use of Block Copolymers as Dispersants for Aqueous Suspensions of Solids	)	
Art Unit:	1713	)	
Examiner:	Robert D. Harlan	)	
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Attorney Docket No.:	850I7	)	
Customer No.:	22242	)	
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to an office action dated August 8, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.